

## ROAD MUST BUILD TO RIFLE RANGE

Norfolk-Southern Believed to Be Ready to Provide Rail Facilities.

MAY PAY HONORS TO NALLE

Sale Takes Action on Death. School Officials Meet at Farmville.

Although the Norfolk-Southern Railroad has not yet come forward with the necessary papers insuring its already promised part in making the new State rifle range and camp site near Virginia Beach available, it is believed that it will be forthcoming within a short time. Adjutant-General W. W. Sale, who went to Norfolk a few days ago to take this matter up, is now satisfied that the railroad will soon make the proper arrangements.

At the time when the proposition was made to the State to accept the gift of the rifle range, it was stated that the railroad would spend as much money as necessary in extending its electric lines to the property and in providing terminal facilities. Officials of the company now declare that the road stands ready to spend \$25,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary.

As a matter of fact, this will have to be done. The State Military Board declines to spend a cent of money in improving and equipping the property until binding agreements have been signed by the Norfolk-Southern. The Virginia Beach rifle range is to be built on or near the grounds.

It will be no longer necessary, if no further delays are experienced, to have the good shots of the Virginia volunteers go to another State for the rifle range. It is a preliminary to the celebration of a State rifle team for the national matches at Camp Perry, O. The detail went to Maryland City, N. C. this year. The celebration was a trouble to the State.

However, it is not probable that the property can be used next year as a camp site. The State Military Board maintained a joint camp will be held next year, alternating with the State affairs of this year. At some point to be selected by the department, and at which the regular and militia troops will be brought together for a series of maneuvers.

### SUPERINTENDENTS MEET

Semi-Annual Session of School Officials Held at Farmville.

Superintendent J. D. Eggleston, Jr., of the Department of Public Instruction, and Secretary R. C. Stearns, of the State Board of Education, are at Farmville, in attendance at the semi-annual meeting of the Conference of Division Superintendents. This body meets each year as a component part of the Virginia Educational Conference. But there is so much going on at these gatherings, which the superintendents do not like to miss, that it was deemed best to have a mid-year meeting for the transaction of regular business—such as the practical end of the work of a division superintendent, who is supposed to be next to the people.

Superintendent H. W. Fugate, of Russell, was here yesterday on his way to the Farmville meeting.

### FORM NEW BATTALION

Third Unit to Be Constituted in Second Infantry.

It has now been determined to form a third battalion for the Second Virginia Infantry, so that this regiment, like the other two infantry commands, shall have three battalions. Orders for the formation of the new unit were issued yesterday by Adjutant-General W. W. Sale. It will be necessary to elect a major, and during the encampment at Culpeper this week Colonel R. F. Leedy will hold an election, at which all the line officers of the three companies which are to make up the Third Battalion will participate.

Company A, of Staunton; Company B, of Culpeper, and Company H, of Harrisonburg, are to compose the new division. The new Company I, of Winchester, is transferred to the First Battalion, which will in future consist of the Winchester command, with

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### TRIBUTE TO NALLE

General Sale Authorities Such Action as Family May Desire.

In recognition of the loss sustained in the death of former Adjutant-General William Nalle, instructions were given yesterday that due notice be taken by the troops in camp at Culpeper. Adjutant-General C. C. Vaughan, Jr., in command at Culpeper, asking him to confer with the family of General Nalle and to take whatever action he deemed advisable after such a conference.

This means that if the family desires it a military funeral will be held. The entire Second Infantry, which is now in camp, might be utilized.

General Sale also conveyed his regrets to the family.

**Verdict Not Expected.**

The findings of the court-martial in the case of Private Woodson Wilkinson, who is in the Richmond jail, convicted of insubordination during the Culpeper encampment, had not reached Adjutant-General Sale yesterday. It is presumed they are in the hands of General Vaughan. It is anticipated that the court will impose a heavy penalty.

**Judge Williams Here.**

Attorney-General Samuel W. Williams came to the city yesterday to give his personal attention to some public matters in his office, and to confer with his assistant, R. E. Davis. Judge Williams having been ordered by his physicians to take a rest, has been in Bland county for several weeks. A good deal of his work has been sent to him by mail, and he has kept public affairs attended to. Mr. Davis remaining in the office.

Judge Williams is a little gloomy over the effects of the long continued drought, which has shortened the grass crop and prevented the fattening of the cattle, which form such a big industry in the Southwest. He will return to Bland within a day or two.

### Pertinent Comment

BY GUS MALBERT

Guthrie, now that he is out of a job, will more than likely accept the proposition made him. He is hitting well, or has been, and will be able to jump right into the game. Priest will be turned back to New York. He has not shown up well here, even though he has been hitting fairly well. By turning Priest back \$500 will be saved the local treasury.

Catcher Lucia, who has been with the Elizabeth City team of the Tidewater League, has accepted the terms of the local club, and will report at once. This is the latest information from the Proctor Edwards, who is in bad shape as a result of blood poisoning from a wound received at Ocean View, will be let out. McCormac, of Lynchburg, failed to show up after accepting terms, and naturally will not be received should he decide to come

Lucia is regarded as a great little catcher, and is in shape to take his turn regularly in the box to aid Cowan. This will give the manager a chance to do something besides working behind the mask. He will be able to give more attention to unifying his team and to pulling out some of the inside stuff, which has been lacking for a long time.

Along with Lucia will probably come Pitcher Hogue, who, at one time was reported to have been sold to Washington. It appears that he was not sold at all. At any rate, he will report here, and will be given a tryout, one of the present staff being suspended in the meanwhile. Hogue looks good, but so many of the would-be stars, or near-stars who have drifted this way have proved their unfitness that comment is reserved until something is shown.

Tell it gently, stranger, but we lost again yesterday. However, there remains the gratification that we made those blasted Goobers extend themselves to the very utmost to do it.

Here's offering the half of a princely salary to get rid of that fellow Bruckmiller. At one time it looked as if the Colts were well on the way to ending the Kibosh which the youngster has all during the season heaped on the locals, but it lasted only one inning. After that he squirmed and wiggled until not a single Colt could muster enough courage to cross the plate. Johnny Verbout did his part. He pitched the very best game of any delivered by him this season, and was as strong with his bludge as he was as the most ardent Colt could wish. It was simply a case of not being able to do harm to the other fellow.

Only one criticism can be made of anything the Colts did, not mentioning the errors, one of which can be counted as excusable—that made by Ezekiel, and the other not hurting any. The criticism comes as a result of allowing Mattie to sacrifice in the fourth inning. Martin had walked. Mattie was the one and only man who could have been expected to hit Cowan, Ezekiel and Verbout followed him in the order named, and not one of them could be expected to hit. Had Mattie been allowed to hit it out he may have landed safely, which would have put Martin on third, and a sacrifice fly would then have turned the trick.

McCabe made the star catch, though it was a star largely because he misjudged Keilher's fly ball. Anyway, he caught it over his head, and it helped because a man was on.

Mr. how they do love Pender in Petersburg. He was called all the names in the lexicon, and truth to tell, several of his decisions looked as if they were against the home team. He put Johnson out of the park, and the story goes that the sole provocation was that the pitcher noticed Cowan that a runner had been hit by a batted ball. Along with his vamoosers went a fine time.

Danville licked Norfolk and Roanoke trimmed Lynchburg, which puts the Goobers in second place by half a game. What a yell went forth from the grandstand when the ninth inning rally of the Magic City side was tacked up!

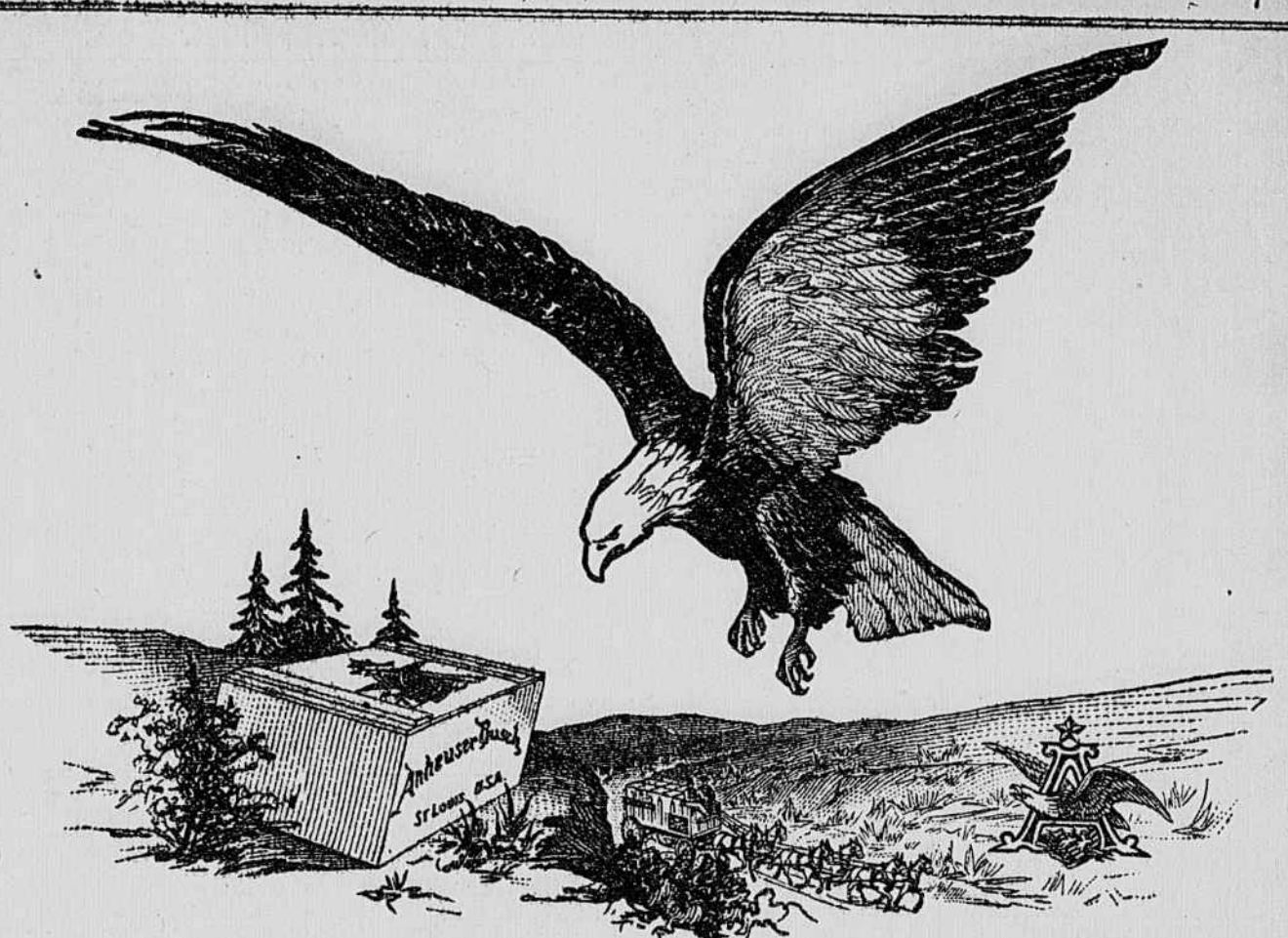
Over in Petersburg they do not hesitate to say that they are out for the pennant and are going to finish in second place anywhere they can. They are in the market for ball players, and a job on the Goobers team is as unobtainable as a paper hat in a rain storm. They had over out for Dobson, and were willing to give a place of money and Keilher for the local initial sack. Then they wanted Willie Baker, and are now after Bobbie Vail, who was with the defunct Portsmouth Tidewater outfit.

Heinie Busch deserves a lot of credit for what he has done, though he has been ably championed by the men who own the team. It is a matter of civic pride with them, and a few dollars will not stand in their way.

Umpire Nugent, who went from this league to the Carolina Association, writes Owner Bradley asking for a post-season series of games with an all-star team from his league. A favorable answer has been withheld until later.

Now comes the plaint from Suffolk that the team representing that town in the Tidewater has been paid off to date, and that hereafter the players will continue on a co-operative plan. This smacks very much of success. There were those 1,700, those 2,000 and those 2,400 crowds!

Detroit goes on her way still proud of holding first place in the American League. The Athletics have nothing to be ashamed of. Three out of four is a pretty good record for the series, and when it is realized that they finish the season at home, Detroit can't feel so secure.



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## News of Petersburg.

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Petersburg, Va., July 31.

Twenty-two members of the Crater Legion were present yesterday afternoon at the unveiling of the building marble tablet in memory of their comrades of Mahone's Brigade, who fell in the battle of the Crater in old Blandford Church. No representative of the Sixth Virginia Regiment was in attendance, though the tablet bears the names of several men of that regiment who were killed. The following is a full list of the Crater Legion, who were present:

Twelfth Regiment—J. E. Whitehouse, W. H. Thayer, Putnam Smith, George S. Bernard, R. G. Thompson, John R. Tatum, N. B. Simmons, George W. Cardwell, B. F. Eckles, Richard E. Davis, L. A. Aldridge, Emmett Richardson and J. H. Birdsong.

Sixth Regiment—Major John T. Woodhouse.

Forty-first Regiment—S. M. Gregory.

Sixty-first Regiment—Lieutenant-Colonel William H. Stewart, LeRoy M. West, John T. Foreman, Joshua Denby, Jacob E. Bradshaw and E. Gallagher. Among the guests present was Mayor D. C. Richardson, of Richmond.

Another Important Unveiling.

The Ladies' Memorial Association has been advised by the Washington Artillery Association of New Orleans, that a handsome monument is to be erected in the company's square in Blandford Cemetery, and markers placed at the graves of the sixteen members of that famous command, and that the monument and markers will be in position by December 1. The Washington Artillery has a handsome square in the cemetery, which is kept in perfect order by the Ladies' Memorial Association.

It is hoped that by the first of December the two missing State memorial windows—those of Florida and Georgia—will be in position in Blandford Church when, in connection with the Texas window—which is now completed—the three will be unveiled in formal ceremonies, with representatives from those States present. At the same time the Washington Artillery Monument will be unveiled.

**Body Identified.**

The body of the negro who died on the eastern Norfolk and Western train, while coming to this city early Saturday morning, has been identified as that of John Matthews, of Calypso, N. C. He had on his person a through ticket from Columbus, O., to his home, and by means of this his identity was established.

He was to have been transferred to another road at Petersburg. The man was ill on a cot when he left Columbus. His body was shipped to-day to his mother in North Carolina.

**Fire in Prison.**

The dwelling house of Wesley Bland, in Prince George county, a few miles from this city, was destroyed by fire, with all its contents, Saturday afternoon. Bland was in Petersburg at the time, and only two small children were at home. The loss is about \$1,000, which is nearly covered by insurance.

**Rabbery in Dinwiddie.**

Sunday afternoon, in the absence of the family from home the residence of W. J. Branch, near Ferndale Park, in Dinwiddie county, was broken into through a window and robbed of sundry articles. The thief ransacked the house, carried off Mr. Branch's clothing, some money, a pistol and razor and other articles. No clue has been discovered.

**Methodist District Conference.**

The Methodist Conference of the Petersburg District will begin its annual meeting to-morrow at the church in Carson, Dinwiddie county, and will continue in session for three days. There are twenty-seven churches 100 churches in the district, and a large attendance is expected. The Rev. W. H. Atwell, of this city, will preach the conference sermon, the Rev. George E. Booker, D. D., will preach the missionary sermon and the Rev. J. K. Joliff, the presiding elder, will preside. Lay delegates and alternates to the Virginia Annual Conference are to be elected, and many reports and much business are to be considered.

**In the Hustings Court.**

Judge Mullen will to-morrow render his decision dissolving the injunction recently granted by Judge J. F. West, restraining the sale of twenty-nine lots of the Centre Hill property, as advertised by the trustees. The injunction was granted on application of counsel for the Centre Hill Corporation on objection to the sale of the property as a whole.

**Death of Former Petersburgers.**

Information has been received of the death at his home in Philadelphia of Otto Korn, a former well-known

citizen and merchant of Petersburg. He leaves several children, one of whom, Frank Korn, resides in Petersburg.

**Death of Veteran Woman.**

Richard Bohannon, a Confederate veteran and well known citizen, died yesterday in the Soldiers' Home in Richmond. The body will be brought to this city for burial in Blandford Cemetery. Mr. Bohannon is survived by one daughter, Mrs. William Martin of this city.

**A Stranger Ill.**

A stranger about thirty years old giving his name as French Smith and his home as in South Carolina, was taken seriously ill near the Appomattox Station this morning, and lay upon the ground for two hours or more before a physician could be gotten to him. He was taken to the hospital, and is said to be suffering from typhoid fever.

**To Be Married in Richmond.**

Vincent Raymond Beachley, well-known merchant and popular citizen, and Miss Clara Estelle Titus, daughter of E. E. Titus, will be married in Richmond to-morrow.

Miss Mary Evelyn Matthews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Matthews, was taken seriously ill at this city, and was married at midnight Friday, Elizabeth N. C. Friends of the bride in Petersburg knew nothing of the contemplated marriage.

**Off for Camp.**

The Petersburg Grays, Captain Robert Gilliam, Jr., left early Sunday morning for Culpeper to go into camp with the Second Virginia Regiment. The company carried about fifty officers and men.

**Death of Mrs. Wm. E. Badger.**

Mrs. Elizabeth Frances Badger, wife of Wm. E. Badger, died to-day about noon in her home on Liberty Street after an illness of several months. She was in her seventy-fourth year, and is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. J. Hampden Slater, Mrs.

Badger was greatly beloved in the community and she leaves a host of devoted friends to mourn her death.

**Death of Veteran Woman.**

Mrs. Mary Flynn, widow of Matthew Flynn, died Saturday evening at her home on Federal Street, after a few days' illness. She was about ninety years old, was a native of Ireland, and had resided in Petersburg for half a century. She was a devoted Christian.

**Mrs. Theodore Peyser, formerly and for many years a resident of Petersburg, died this morning at Rockaway Beach, N. Y. The remains will be brought to Petersburg to-morrow for burial.**

**WELL-KNOWN RAILROADER FOUND DEAD IN BED**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Spencer, N. C., July 31.—M. Donaldson, general yardmaster for the Southern at Spencer, was advised by long distance telephone to-day that his brother, John Donaldson, was found dead in bed at Monroe, N. C., this morning. It is said that he had not been sick, and his sudden death was a great shock. Mr. Donaldson was well known in railroad circles, having lived at Spencer for a long while. At the time of his death he was yardmaster for the Seaboard Air Line at Monroe.

**New Tennis Champion.**

Lake Forest, Ill., July 31.—Maurice McLoughlin, of San Francisco, won the Western tennis championship to-day at the Onwentsia Club by defeating Thomas C. Bundy, of Los Angeles, holder of the title, in the challenge round on the three out of four sets, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.

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